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In re Application of: **Zhao, et al.**

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For: **Damascene Interconnect Structure and
Fabrication Method Having Air Gaps
Between Metal Lines and Metal Layers**

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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This is in response to the *Final Office Action* dated April 27, 2005 in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following remarks.